GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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DISASTER MANAGEMENT
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of national institutions are engaged in disaster management in the country since 1996;

(b) if so, facts in this regard alongwith their present status and target set for final take off;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Government have set a national level institute of Disaster Management to cater the needs of human resource development of the country and also to moniter the progress made by other such institutes functioning in the country since 1996; and

(d) if so, details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D.SWAMI)

(a) to (d): It is primarily the responsibility of the States to be in the state of preparedness and provide relief to the people affected by disasters. The Central Government, however, supplements the efforts of the States by providing logistic and financial support in case of a disaster of severe nature, if the States are not in a position to deal with it with the resources available with them.

A National Centre for Disaster Management (NCDM) was set up by the Central Government in the year 1995 and housed in the Indiar Institute of Public Administration (IIPA)at New Delhi, primarily for the purpose of providing human resource development support in disaster management. Additionally, 24 Natural Disaster Management Faculties have also been created in the States for providing Human Resource Development (HRD) support at the State level.